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Vice President / President Elect 2012-2014

Ellen Hammond

(Yale University)



There are several reasons why I said “yes” when asked to run for CEAL Vice President. First, I have served twice as a member-at-large on the CEAL Executive Board (2004-07 and 2009 to present) and was lucky enough to see some very talented CEAL Presidents in action. Observing them successfully deal with the numerous challenges that arose during their terms not only impressed me but also inspired me to consider taking on similar issues myself someday. Second, while I have been head of the East Asia Library at Yale since 2002, for the past six months I have also been serving as Director of International Collections and Research Support, a new department that includes all area collections in the Yale University Library. This position has given me a much greater understanding of colleagues in other area studies collections and their national organizations and

strengthened my conviction that CEAL has a great number of unique strengths. It has made me realize how much CEAL can share, even while there are things we might learn through collaboration. Finally, as Chair of the CEAL Nominating Committee in 2006 and a member of the committee in 2011, I know how hard it can be to talk people into running for Vice President. Therefore, I could hardly say “no” when asked 😊.

The job of CEAL President is challenging at any time, but now more than ever. This is because wrenching changes are happening in all of our institutions. So many things we have taken for granted (our roles as librarians, our collection development strategies and processing methods, libraries themselves) are no longer necessarily valued by our institutions. I think all of us will need CEAL to do four things really well in the next few years. These are to help us:

- › develop the new knowledge and understanding we will need going forward
- › articulate our value to the organizations in which we serve
- › reinforce our voices within the Asian studies and academic library communities
- › leverage our proven ability to collaborate in ways that will strengthen our collections and contributions locally and nationally.

CEAL has always been about these things to some extent, but a clear focus is especially important in the current environment. I think some of the best CEAL Presidents have been able to move the organization forward by helping achieve this clarity of focus, for example, through plenary session topics. They have also known that the job is about much more than emphasizing their own agendas; it is about creating the best conditions for the CEAL committees and their dedicated Chairs and members to achieve their goals. It is a great honor to be nominated to run for Vice President and if I were to be elected I would keep these dual aims in mind: lead but also facilitate by supporting the many creative and dedicated people in our organization.

Please vote for one candidate for CEAL Vice President / President Elect. You may choose the listed nominee, or write in one CEAL member's name.

- Ellen Hammond
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Secretary 2012-2015

Kenneth Klein

(University of Southern California [USC])



I have been a CEAL member since 1983 and last served on the Executive Board 15 years ago, when my term as CEAL President came to a close. At that time, the responsibilities of the CEAL Secretary were substantial, and it has generally been hard to find people to take on the job. If it was better known that the duties are so much reduced now, I am sure more would agree to run.



I have recently served a year as Secretary for our Library's Faculty Council, which required me to take minutes at 40+ meetings. I would feel honored to participate in the CEAL Board as Secretary, if elected.

Kris MacPherson
(St. Olaf College)



I am a reference/instruction librarian and professor at St. Olaf College, a liberal arts (undergraduate) college in Minnesota with a strong Asian Studies program. I have longstanding interest in East Asia beginning with a high school exchange student experience in Toyama, Japan. At St. Olaf, I am a general reference librarian serving many departments including Asian Studies. My research area in the 1980s and 1990s was English language materials on Japanese women, and I published *Women in Japanese Society: An Annotated Bibliography of Materials in English* in 1992 (Greenwood Press, under the name Kristina Huber). I am interested in serving as the CEAL secretary both to be of service to the organization and to become better

acquainted with CEAL's mission and its members.

Please vote for one of these candidates for Secretary, OR write in another CEAL member's name

- Kenneth Klein
 Kris MacPherson



Treasurer 2012-2015

Hee-Sook Shin
(Columbia University)



I am honored to be considered for the position of Treasurer of the Council for the East Asian Libraries. I have over eighteen years of work experience in academic libraries as a cataloger and a Korean Studies Librarian. Since I have joined CEAL in 2001, I have served, over the years, on the Committee on Technical Processing (2002-2005), Committee on Korean Materials (2005-2011) and currently on the Committee on Public Service (2011-2013). Through my services on the committees, I have learned about the committee's missions and activities, how to work with people as a team, and the importance of sharing responsibility within the committees.

The Treasurer is responsible for proper financial management and guiding the board and the members in the proper use of the CEAL funds. This requires a person with financial literacy, attention to detail, and strong organizational and interpersonal skills. My years of experience show a growth in my strengths such as being detail-oriented, and responsible. I am sure that past Treasurers have shown excellent leadership and CEAL is on solid financial situation which is one of my goals to keep the trend. If elected, I will perform the duties which the position requires and will work hard to make the CEAL successful along with the members of the Executive Committee.

Luo Zhou
(Duke University)



Hello, I'm the Chinese studies librarian at Duke University Libraries. I received my Master's degree in library science from University of Pittsburgh. It's quite an honor and trust to be nominated for this position as the treasurer is such a crucial position for our Council. I worked as the treasurer for the Southeast chapter of Chinese American Librarians Association 2009-2011, although a much smaller group, I got to know some basics of the job nature and felt its responsibilities. Other related experiences include member of CEAL public service committee 2008-2010; current vice president of the Southeast chapter of Chinese American Librarians Association; and many Duke University Libraries' committees as well. I have many professional interests, including research methods, digitization, and China's publishing history. Thank you!

Please vote for one of these candidates for Treasurer, OR write in another CEAL member's name

Hee-sook Shin

Luo Zhou



Member at Large 2012-2015

Wen-ling Liu

(Indiana University)



I have served as the Librarian for East Asian Studies at Indiana University Libraries since 2001 after working eleven years first as East Asian Cataloger and then CJK Unit Supervisor at the same library. I also received my MLS from Indiana University. Within the organization of CEAL, I once served as Treasurer (2000-2003), and was a member in the Committee of Technical Processing (1996-2002). Currently, I am a member in the Statistics Committee (2008-). Over the years, I have published articles in topics of collection development and cataloging issues related to East Asian studies mostly in the *Journal of East Asian Libraries* (JEAL).

I am honored to be nominated as a candidate for the position of Members-at-Large, 2012-2015. If elected, I will do my best to represent the members of CEAL as well as the organization as a whole. I look forward to assisting the Editorial Board and the Chair of the Publication Committee of JEAL in their work for the journal, and I will effectively fulfill duties assigned by the President or the Board as stated in the CEAL bylaws.

Toshie Marra

(University of California Los Angeles [UCLA])



I am extremely honored to be nominated for the position of a Member-at-Large within the CEAL Executive Board. Since I became a CEAL member in early 1990s, I have been greatly benefiting from all the activities that CEAL has developed and its services offered to all of us members. In the past over twenty years with CEAL, I served for four terms as a member on the Committee on Japanese Materials (CJM) from 1999 to 2005 and since 2008, and have been serving as Chair of the Subcommittee on Japanese Rare Books since 2000. In addition, I served as CEAL Treasurer from 2006 to 2009 and as a member of the Committee on Public Services from 2008 to 2011.

Especially through my service as CEAL Treasurer I learned not only regulations and practices of the Council and AAS, but also the general interests and trends in the field from the wider perspective of East Asian studies librarianship, which I find extremely rewarding. This time, if I am elected for one of the Members-at-Large positions, I especially look forward to serving on the Editorial Board of JEAL—the journal now peer-reviewed—and to learning from the fellow librarians the interests and concerns in our profession. I believe in the value of having a peer-reviewed journal in East Asian librarianship and I would be happy to make any contributions to keep this journal relevant in our profession. Thank you very much for your support.

Jiaxun Wu

(University of Chicago)



Currently, I am the Chinese Studies Librarian at University of Chicago. I received MA in Chinese History from University of Southern California (USC) and MLIS from the San Jose State University at Fullerton. Before coming to the United States, I was a researcher in Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, studying intellectual history of China and modern history of China. I entered the field of East Asian librarianship in 1991 at USC, where I worked for many years with various responsibilities, including East Asian Specialist, Library Administrator and Manager. I have also been an active researcher, and have published articles, coauthored monograph.

In my previous experience, I participated actively in different associations as committee member, committee director, vice-president and president. Working with a group of graduate students, I initially proposed the founding of China Intellectuals Study Society (CISS) in 1992 and it was registered in California. Subsequently, I was elected as the first president of the CISS. In my term as the president, we communicated with faculty and graduate students, organized numerous academic seminars, cultural and social activities. At USC I was also involved in various committees and task forces, including the member of the Library Administrative Management Committee. While performing these roles, I learned enormously from committee and regular members. My team spirit and social skills continued to grow through these activities. I believe, the best way to contribute to an organization is, to participate in its activities and programs, to serve on its committees, to learn from other members through team work. I have learned tremendously from CEAL programs and members, but never had the honor to serve on any CEAL committee. I understand, Member-at-Large represents CEAL members, working with other Executive Board members, to make CEAL activities and programs more efficient and beneficial to all members. My long time working experience and active committee services have prepared me well to perform the responsibilities of Member-at-Large. My research and compiling experience will also be valuable since assisting JEAL Editor is one of the responsibilities of this position. If elected, I will work closely with members and the Executive Board, and contribute all my knowledge and expertise when needed.

Min Xu (徐敏)

(Metropolitan Museum of Art)



I'm an Associate Museum Librarian of the Thomas J. Watson Library, the Metropolitan Museum of Art. I received my M.S. in Library and Information Science from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (1998), M.A. in East Asian Studies from Saint John's University, New York (1991), and B.A. in English Language and Literature from Northwestern University, Xi'an, China. While working in the Metropolitan Museum, I've played an active role in the museum's Assembly of Educators and Librarians, and have given a number of presentations at the museum and also at CEAL conference in 2010. My research interests are in the history of museum collections and resources in Chinese art history. I'm a contributor to a recent volume titled

Chinese Studies in North America - Research and Resources (edited by Zhang Haihui *et al*), published in 2010.

Combining the role of an East Asian librarian and that of an art librarian, I've been responsible for collection development in Asian language materials for the museum, ranging from archeological site reports to catalogs on Chinese contemporary art, and over the course of 14 years I have worked to build the collection into one of the most comprehensive of its kind. Today our collection is among the fastest-growing Asian art collections outside China. To keep up with the increasing acquisition of Asian materials, I've led the CJK team in initiating and accomplishing many projects that have increased access to our collection, including the Contemporary Catalog Solicitation Project and the Shelf-ready projects for efficient cataloging. I also work closely with the museum staff in order to meet their research needs. As a CEAL member, I'm more than willing to contribute to our organization if there is a chance, and with many years of experience and dedication to library work, I have strong confidence in providing good services to our East Asian library community in this position.

Jude Yang

(University of Hawaii)



Aloha, It is an honor to be nominated as a candidate for the position of Member-at-Large, 2012-2015. As Korea Studies Librarian at the University of Hawaii since 2009, I have been taking advantage of the great benefits that CEAL provides, learning about recent trends and other librarians' research, through presentations, workshops, and Eastlib. I have also networked with colleagues as well. In 2011, when the CEAL annual meeting was held in Honolulu, I had an opportunity to play a role as a member of the host institution in various ways, including serving on the Fellowship Dinner committee as Treasurer. Even if my roles may have been small

compared to those of my colleagues who devoted much more of their time and effort than I did, I truly enjoyed working together to help this event run smoothly. Also, it provided me with a great chance to get familiar with so many CEAL members' names. In addition, as a member of the Committee on Public Service for 2011-2013, I have contributed to the annual meeting programming including the selection of guest speakers.

I believe my experiences as Korean Studies Librarian at the University of Hawaii, as a member of the 2011 CEAL Meeting hosts as well as on the Committee on Public Services make me a strong Member-at-Large candidate. My perspectives as a junior librarian in a minority field, combined with my devotion to the profession, would be valuable to the overall health of CEAL. I am confident that I can bring a fresh energy and passion to the CEAL Executive Board. I sincerely hope that you will elect me and give me an opportunity to serve and grow! Mahalo Nui Loa! (Thank you very much!)

Please vote for up to two candidates for CEAL Executive Board Member at Large. You may choose from the listed nominees, and/or write in up to two CEAL member's names, separated by a comma.

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